## **Introduced by Senator Dutton**

February 19, 2010

An act to amend Section 395 of the Fish and Game Code, relating to falconry. An act to add Section 107046 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to radiologic technology, and declaring the urgency thereof, to take effect immediately.

## LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SB 1332, as amended, Dutton. Birds-of-prey. Radiologic technology. Existing law requires the State Department of Public Health to approve schools for radiologic technologists that, in the judgment of the department, will provide instruction adequate to prepare individuals to meet requirements for certification as radiologic technologists under the Radiologic Technology Act. Existing law also requires the department to adopt reasonable standards for approved schools, for procedures for obtaining and maintaining approval, and for revocation of approval where standards are not maintained.

Existing law authorizes the department, when approving a school for radiologic technologists, to take into consideration accreditation, approval, or certification of the school by other agencies or organizations if the department finds that accreditation, approval, or certification was granted on the basis of standards that will afford the same protection to the public as the standards provided by the Radiologic Technology Act or the regulations adopted pursuant thereto.

This bill would require the department, when approving a school for radiologic technologists, to approve a school that it determines has met

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the requirements in a specified document published by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology.

This bill would declare that it is to take effect immediately as an urgency statute.

Existing law authorizes the Fish and Game Commission to adopt regulations for the possession or training, and the capture, importation, exportation, or intrastate transfer, of birds in the orders Falconiformes and Strigiformes (birds-of-prey) used in the practice of falconry. Existing law authorizes the commission to authorize the issuance and provide for the revocation of licenses and permits to persons for the practice of falconry.

This bill would make technical, nonsubstantive changes to those provisions.

Vote: majority<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub>. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no-yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. The Legislature hereby finds and declares all of 2 the following: 3 (a) State regulations and standards on the teaching of radiologic
  - (a) State regulations and standards on the teaching of radiologic technologists and accreditation of radiologic technology schools are outdated and may not offer adequate protection to the public.
  - (b) Radiologic technology schools should be allowed to continue teaching students as long as they are accredited by an agency recognized by the federal Department of Education to accredit education programs in radiography and radiation therapy.
  - (c) The standards, curriculum requirements, and teaching methods prescribed in the Standards for an Accredited Education Program in Radiologic Sciences, as revised in 2001, published by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology are determined to afford the same protections to the public as provided by California law and regulations.
- (d) Implementation of this act will not require regulations
  because, during the last 10 years, the department has, in lieu of
  developing a department accreditation process, approved the
  radiologic technology program accredited by the Joint Review
  Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology.
- 21 (e) This act is not intended to limit the ability of the State 22 Department of Public Health to review and inspect materials

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provided by schools for accreditation under the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology program.

- (f) This act is not intended to limit the ability of the State Department of Public Health to inspect teaching site locations or other documents with respect to the state licensing of equipment or training personnel.
- 7 SEC. 2. Section 107046 is added to the Health and Safety Code, 8 to read:
  - 107046. Notwithstanding any other law, the department shall approve schools for radiologic technologists that meet the Standards for an Accredited Education Program in Radiologic Sciences, published by the Joint Review Committee on Education in Radiologic Technology, as they exist on January 1, 2010.
  - SEC. 3. This act is an urgency statute necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health, or safety within the meaning of Article IV of the Constitution and shall go into immediate effect. The facts constituting the necessity are:

In order to protect the health and safety of patients and to enable radiologic technology schools to accept students in programs for the 2010–11 fall semester, it is necessary for this act to take effect immediately.

SECTION 1. Section 395 of the Fish and Game Code is amended to read:

- 395. (a) The commission may adopt regulations for the possession or training, and the capture, importation, exportation, or intrastate transfer, of any bird species in the orders Falconiformes and Strigiformes (birds-of-prey) used in the practice of falconry and may authorize the issuance, and provide for the revocation, of licenses and permits to persons for the practice of falconry.
- (b) It is unlawful to capture, possess, or train any bird in the orders Falconiformes and Strigiformes (birds-of-prey) in the practice of falconry without procuring a falconry license.